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New Fairfield Legislators, Community Service Club Announce Governor Rell's Visit



Governor M. Jodi Rell is scheduled to visit the New Fairfield Senior Center on Tuesday, November 29 at 11 a.m., said State Sen. David Cappiello (R-Danbury and State Reps. Mary Ann Carson (R-New Fairfield) and Janice Geigler (R-Danbury). During her visit, the Community Service Club of New Fairfield will present Governor Rell a quilt they have crafted. The club often contributes quilts for patients at Danbury Hospital's Praxair Cancer Center and crafted the quilt for the governor while she was recuperating from cancer surgery early this year.

The club is composed of over 100 women and has served the town of New Fairfield for over 22 years. The organization continues programs that have begun over the years as fund-raisers, community support services. 'The Healing Hands Quilters', (HHQ) in keeping with the positive spirit of the Community Service Club, creates quilts on a weekly basis to present to the Praxair Cancer Center.

"We were all touched when Governor Rell was diagnosed with cancer," said club member Robin Linquist. "And our hearts soared when days after her surgery, she spoke publicly with strength and determination. In her honor, our group has created a special 'Jodi Rell Stay Well Patriotic Quilt.'"

Karen Hess, a founding HHQ member, added, "We all have our personal reasons why we continue to create these quilts and we draw strength from our team effort in hopes that we truly make a difference in someone's outlook for the future. Nobody is alone in their fight against cancer."

The area legislators and community service club encourage all New Fairfield residents to join them in welcoming Governor Rell on Tuesday and thank the New Fairfield Senior Center for hosting the event.